

REMARKS

I. Present Status of Patent Application

Claims 1-2 and 20-39 have been canceled without prejudice.

II. Requirement for Election of Claims

The Office Action alleged that this application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention.

Species I: “a web-fed flexographic printing method...”, directed to claims 1-2.

Species II: “a printing method...”, directed to claims 3-19.

Species III: “a tag for identification...”, directed to claims 20-39.

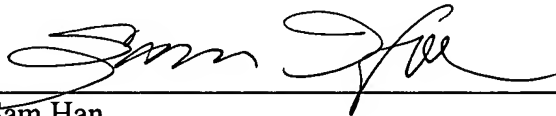
Applicants hereby elect species II (claims 3 through 19) for further prosecution.

Claims 1-2 and 20-39 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request submit that the foregoing is fully responsive to the election request and that all presently-pending claims be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicants' response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

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